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Provisional annotated agenda

1. Opening statements by the President of the Executive Board and the Executive Director of UNICEF

The Executive Board will hear opening statements by the President of the Executive Board and the Executive Director of UNICEF.

Organizational and procedural matters

2. Adoption of the provisional annotated agenda, timetable and organization of work
For decision (E/ICEF/2017/14)

The provisional agenda is prepared in consultation with the Bureau of the Executive Board and is based on the programme of work adopted by the Executive Board at its second regular session of 2016. The Executive Board will adopt the agenda for the session, making any amendments that it considers necessary.

3. Proposed programme of work for the Executive Board sessions in 2018
For decision (E/ICEF/2017/15)

The proposed programme of work is based on suggestions by the secretariat and on Executive Board decisions, including decision 2010/11, which called for a better balance of agenda items throughout the year and for the possibility to harmonize the schedule of relevant items with those of the Executive Boards of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services. It has been prepared in consultation with the Bureau of the Executive Board of UNICEF and is presented to the Executive Board for approval. Once adopted, it serves as a framework for setting the agendas for the 2018 Executive Board sessions, subject to decisions by the Executive Board and modifications introduced in consultation with the Bureau of the Executive Board.

UNICEF focal point:
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Programme and policy matters

4. UNICEF Strategic Plan, 2018-2021
For decision (E/ICEF/2017/17 and E/ICEF/2017/18)

The UNICEF Strategic Plan, 2018-2021 and annexed final results framework are presented to the Executive Board for discussion and approval, in accordance with Executive Board decisions 2016/5, 2017/3, 2017/7 and 2017/8, and in line with the quadrennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system (QCPR) and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. The UNICEF Strategic Plan, 2018-21: Theory of change paper (UNICEF/2017/EB/11) will be available to Board members for information on the Executive Board website.

UNICEF focal point:
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5. Oral update on UNICEF humanitarian action
For information

The Executive Board will receive an update on humanitarian action in UNICEF, which will be supported by a conference room paper. The update will include an overview of the situation of children living in crisis and outline the UNICEF response as well as challenges and achievements.

UNICEF focal point:
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6. UNICEF Gender Action Plan, 2018-2021
For information (E/ICEF/2017/16)

The UNICEF Gender Action Plan 2018-2021 is presented in accordance with Executive Board decision 2014/2. It specifies the ways in which UNICEF will continue to promote gender equality across the organization's work, in line with the UNICEF Strategic Plan, 2018-2021, and includes both a programmatic and an institutional component.

UNICEF focal point:
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7. Structured dialogue on financing the results of the UNICEF Strategic Plan, 2018-2021
For information (UNICEF/2017/EB/10)

The structured dialogue is presented to the Executive Board in accordance with its decisions 2014/17, 2015/14 and 2016/13.

UNICEF focal point:
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8. UNICEF programme cooperation

(a) Country programme documents
For decision

The 24 country programme documents, one area programme document and one multi-country programme document listed below are presented to the Executive Board for approval on a no objection basis, in accordance with Executive Board decision 2014/1. Costed evaluation plans for each programme are posted on the UNICEF Executive Board website alongside the documents. The United Nations Development Assistance Framework results matrices are also available on the website, where applicable. The 24 country programme documents, one area programme document and one multi-country programme document will be presented by region:

Central and Eastern Europe and the Commonwealth of Independent States

Bulgaria (E/ICEF/2017/P/L.5)
Kyrgyzstan (E/ICEF/2017/P/L.6)
Republic of Moldova (E/ICEF/2017/P/L.7)
Romania (E/ICEF/2017/P/L.8)
Ukraine (E/ICEF/2017/P/L.9)

East Asia and the Pacific

Myanmar (E/ICEF/2017/P/L.10)
Pacific Islands multi-country programme (Cook Islands, Fiji, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Nauru, Niue, Palau, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tokelau, Tonga, Tuvalu and Vanuatu) (E/ICEF/2017/P/L.11)
Papua New Guinea (E/ICEF/2017/P/L.12)

Eastern and Southern Africa

Somalia (E/ICEF/2017/P/L.13)

Latin America and Caribbean

Bolivia (Plurinational State of) (E/ICEF/2017/P/L.14)
Chile (E/ICEF/2017/P/L.15)
Costa Rica (E/ICEF/2017/P/L.16)
Dominican Republic (E/ICEF/2017/P/L.17)

Middle East and North Africa

Djibouti (E/ICEF/2017/P/L.18)
Egypt (E/ICEF/2017/P/L.19)
Palestinian children and women in Jordan, Lebanon, the Syrian Arab Republic and the State of Palestine area programme (E/ICEF/2017/P/L.20)
Sudan (E/ICEF/2017/P/L.21)

South Asia

India (E/ICEF/2017/P/L.22)
Nepal (E/ICEF/2017/P/L.23)
Pakistan (E/ICEF/2017/P/L.24)
Sri Lanka (E/ICEF/2017/P/L.25)

West and Central Africa

Burkina Faso (E/ICEF/2017/P/L.26)
Central African Republic (E/ICEF/2017/P/L.27)
Gabon (E/ICEF/2017/P/L.28)
Guinea (E/ICEF/2017/P/L.29)
Nigeria (E/ICEF/2017/P/L.30)

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(b) Extensions of ongoing country programmes
For decision (E/ICEF/2017/P/L.31)

In accordance with Executive Board decision 2009/11, the Executive Board will be (i) informed of the two-month extension of the country programme for Jordan; the six-month extension of the country programme for South Sudan; and the first one-year extensions of the country programmes for the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Equatorial Guinea, Lesotho, Liberia, Nicaragua, the Syrian Arab Republic and Zambia, and the first one-year extension of the Gulf Area Subregional Programme (Bahrain, Kuwait, Qatar, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates) approved by the Executive Director; (ii) requested to approve the two-month extensions of the country programmes for Cabo Verde, Ghana and Mauritania, following one-year extensions; the 15-month extension of the country programme for South Africa; the two-year extension of the country programme for Yemen,

following two consecutive one-year extensions; and the fourth consecutive one-year extension of the country programme for Libya.

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Evaluation, audit and oversight matters

9. Evaluation reports and management responses
For information

Evaluation of UNICEF's response to the Ebola outbreak in West Africa 2014-2015, and management response

United Nations Evaluation Group professional peer review of the evaluation function of UNICEF: Final report, and management response

UNICEF focal point for the evaluation reports:
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UNICEF focal point for the management response to the United Nations Evaluation Group professional peer review of the evaluation function of UNICEF: Final report:
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Resource, financial and budgetary matters

10. UNICEF integrated budget, 2018-2021
For decision (E/ICEF/2017/AB/L.4 and Add.1)

UNICEF integrated budget, 2018-2021: report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions
(E/ICEF/2017/AB/L.5)

The UNICEF integrated budget for the period 2018-2021 is submitted to the Executive Board for approval, in accordance with Executive Board decisions 2013/5, 2016/9 and 2017/8. The report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the proposed integrated budget for 2018-2021 is available to the Executive Board for information.

UNICEF focal point:
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11. Private fundraising and partnerships: financial report for the year ended 31 December 2016
For decision (E/ICEF/2017/AB/L.6)

The report is presented annually to the Executive Board, in accordance with annex I to General Assembly resolution 48/162 of 20 December 1993.

UNICEF focal point:
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Other matters and adoption of draft decisions

12. Report of the joint field visit of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF, UN-Women and WFP to Nepal from 17-21 April 2017
For information (DP/FPA/OPS-ICEF-UNW-WFP/2017/CRP.1)

The Executive Board will hear a presentation of the report of the joint field visit to Nepal from 17 to 21 April 2017 by members of the Executive Boards of the United Nations Development Programme the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services; UNICEF; the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women); and the World Food Programme. The report is presented in accordance with Executive Board decision 2004/13 and paragraph 17 of the guidelines for field visits by members of the Executive Board (E/ICEF/2004/19).

13. Other matters

The Executive Board has before it the provisional list of agenda items for its first regular session of 2018 and may consider discussing any other issue under this agenda item.

14. Adoption of draft decisions

15. Closing statements by the Executive Director of UNICEF and the President of the Executive Board

The Executive Board will hear statements by the Executive Director of UNICEF and the President of the Executive Board.

Provisional timetable and organization of work for the 2017 second regular session of the UNICEF Executive Board 12-15 September 2017[1]

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		Item 2	Adoption of the provisional annotated agenda, timetable and organization of work
	1:15-2:45		*Informal consultations*
	p.m. 3:00-5:00	Item 4	UNICEF Strategic Plan, 2018-2021, and supporting documents
		Item 10	UNICEF integrated budget, 2018-2021, and annex
			UNICEF integrated budget, 2018-2021: report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions
		Item 7	Structured dialogue on financing the results of the UNICEF Strategic Plan, 2018-2021
	5:00-6:00		*Informal consultations*
Wednesday 13 September	a.m. 10:00-1:00	Item 8	UNICEF programme cooperation: (a) Country programme documents (b) Extensions of ongoing country programmes
	1:15-2:45		*Informal consultations*
	p.m. 3:00-5:00	Item 8 *(cont'd)*	UNICEF programme cooperation: (a) Country programme documents (b) Extensions of ongoing country programmes
		Item 6	UNICEF Gender Action Plan, 2018-2021
		Item 5	Oral update on UNICEF humanitarian action
	5:00-6:00		*Informal consultations*
Thursday 14 September	a.m. 10:00-1:00	Item 11	Private fundraising and partnerships: financial report for the year ended 31 December 2016
		Item 9	Evaluation reports and management responses
			Evaluation of UNICEF's response to the Ebola outbreak in West Africa 2014-2015, and management response
			United Nations Evaluation Group professional peer review of the evaluation function of UNICEF: Final report, and management response
	1:15-2:45		*Informal consultations*

[1] When consideration of an agenda item concludes ahead of the allocated time, the next item will be taken up for consideration and the timetable adjusted accordingly.

	p.m. 3:00-5:00	Item 12	Report of the joint field visit of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF, UN-Women and WFP to Nepal from 17-21 April 2017
		Item 3	Proposed programme of work for Executive Board sessions in 2018
Friday 15 September		Item 13	Other matters Provisional list of agenda items for the 2018 first regular session
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